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Bogard Safety Roadside Rest Area Project

REDDING – The California Department of Transportation announced the start of a \$2.5 million construction project to reconstruct the Bogard Safety Roadside Rest Area, located approximately 37 miles east of Old Station and 28 miles west of Susanville on State Route 44 in Lassen County. The current facility is located in the beautiful Lassen National Forest and will remain operational until the new facility is constructed adjacent to it. Once the new building is complete and operational, the original comfort station will be removed and the land the existing rest area is on will be restored to natural conditions. The entrance to the new rest area will be relocated approximately ¼ mile to the east of the existing entrance.

Work will be conducted Monday through Friday during the day and will include:

- Clearing and grading
- Construction of a new comfort station building.
- Onsite drainage improvements.
- New walkways and site lighting
- Increase in available car and truck parking.
- Americans with Disabilities Act upgrades to include upgraded curb ramps, graded paths for ease of wheelchair use and accessible rest-rooms and site amenities.
- Area Security system

The original rest area was constructed in 1965 and is being replaced to increase capacity and bring it up to current ADA and building code standards. The new building site is larger and offers improved vehicle access along with a forested natural setting. The new comfort station building will include a staging office for use by emergency services personnel if needed.

Hat Creek Construction is the contractor and Matt Solano is the Resident Engineer for Caltrans. For more information call (530) 895-4618.

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